

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 23, 2007, Applicants are submitting herewith a modified set of amended claims, in order to address the issue noted by the Examiner in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. No new matter has been added.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may best be resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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